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Data relating to the natural increase of the population has been added to the Labour force and demography section of table 1.

SYMBOLS AND OTHER USAGES

n.a.	not available
n.y.a.	not yet available
qtr	quarter
*	subject to sampling variability too high for most practical purposes
..	not applicable
0, 0.0	nil, or rounded to zero

ROUNDING

Where figures have been rounded, discrepancies may occur between sums of the component items and totals.

INFORMATION

All data are presented in original terms, unless otherwise stated. More detailed information on each series, including explanatory and technical notes, can be obtained from other Australian Bureau of Statistics publications or alternative data sources. To assist those seeking further information, the series presented in the statistical and state summaries provides a reference to the Publication Source Index which is at the end of this publication.

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OVERVIEW

The data in this Overview are presented in trend terms, unless otherwise stated.

INTERNATIONAL TRADE

The value of South Australian merchandise exports in original terms for the month of January 2003 was \$558.9m. This was a decrease of 32.9% from \$832.9m recorded in December 2002 and a decrease of 0.5% from the January 2002 figure of \$561.8m.

The value of South Australian merchandise imports in original terms for January 2003 was \$447.4m. This was a decrease of 18.9% from \$551.3m recorded in December 2002 and an increase of 10.1% from the January 2002 figure of \$406.2m.

CONSUMPTION AND INVESTMENT

In the twelve months to January 2003 retail turnover increased by 7.4% or \$75.1m. Trend turnover for January was \$1,086.7m, an increase of 0.2% on the previous month.

February 2003 saw a total of 4,921 new motor vehicle sales—an increase of 2.8% on the previous month's figure of 4,785 vehicles, and 14.8% on the 4,285 vehicles recorded in February 2002.

Private new capital expenditure in the December quarter 2002 was \$919m, an increase of 25.4% (\$224m) on the December quarter 2001, and an increase of 2.0% (\$18m) on the September 2002 quarter figure of \$901m.

HOUSING

In January 2003 the total number of dwelling units approved in South Australia was 986, six less than that for December of last year (980 units). January is the first month of decline following six consecutive months of growth.

CONSUMER PRICE INDEX

The all groups consumer price index in Adelaide for the December quarter 2002 was 141.5 (original terms). This was an increase 1.2 percentage points from the September quarter 2002, and an increase of 4.9 percentage points on the level recorded twelve months previously.

LABOUR FORCE AND DEMOGRAPHY

In February 2003 the estimate of employed persons in South Australia was 707,100. This was 18,900 persons higher than the level of twelve months ago (688,200). The total number of persons employed full-time in South Australia was 499,900 in February 2003.

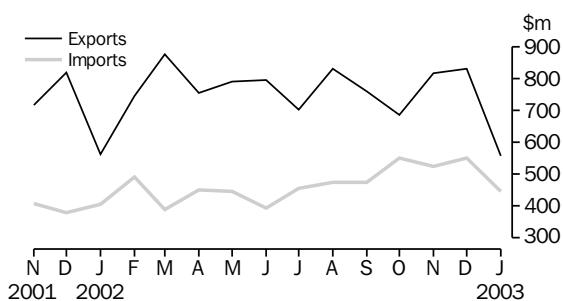
In February 2003, the estimate of the unemployment rate for South Australia was 6.0% and was significantly lower than the rate in February 2002 (6.9%). The estimate of the participation rate in South Australia was 61.3% in February 2003 compared with 60.8% in February 2002.

FINANCIAL MARKETS

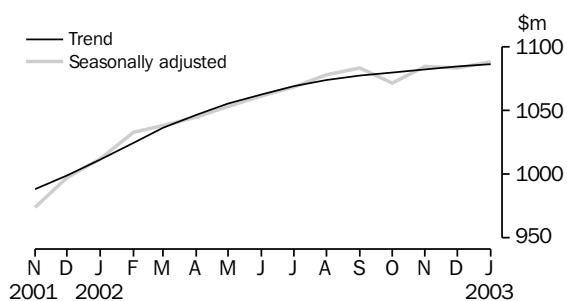
The value of secured housing finance commitments (excluding alterations and additions) was \$506m in January 2003, a very slight increase on the December 2002 figure of \$504m. The January 2003 figure is an increase of 5.7% on that of January 2002 (\$479m).

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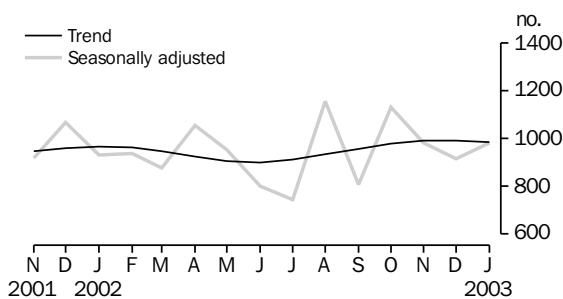
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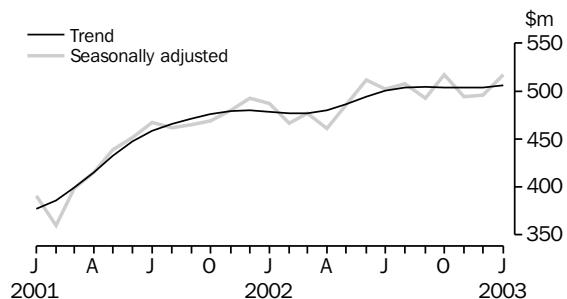
RETAIL TURNOVER



DWELLING UNITS APPROVED

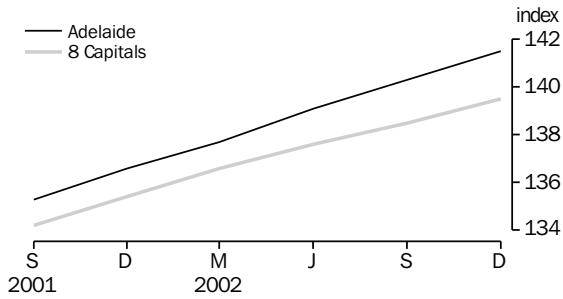


SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS(a)

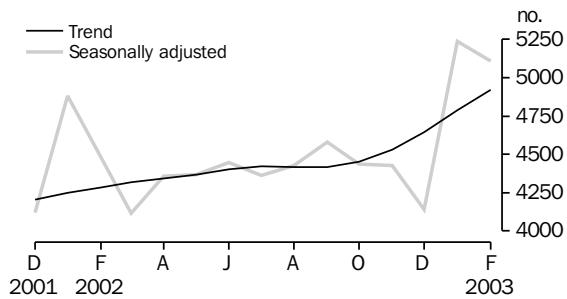


(a) Excludes alterations and additions. Includes refinancing.

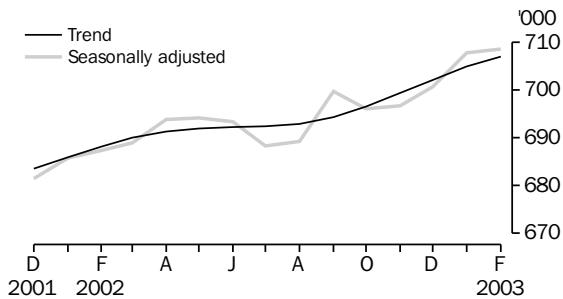
CONSUMER PRICE INDEX



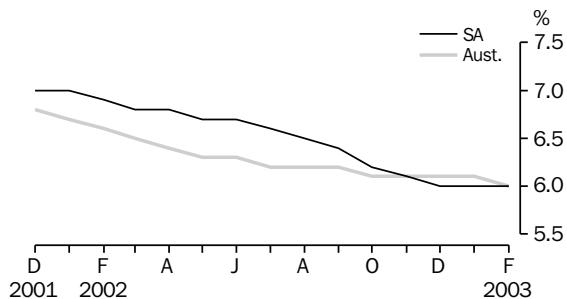
NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES



EMPLOYED PERSONS



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Indicator	South Australia				Australia				SA as a % of Aust.	Source index		
			% change from				% change from					
	Period	Number	Previous period	Same period previous year	Number	Previous period	Same period previous year					
State accounts												
Domestic final demand												
Current prices trend (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	13 714	2.0	10.1	191 765	2.1	8.6	7.2	(1)			
Chain volume measures trend (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	13 112	1.1	7.3	184 529	1.5	6.3	7.1	(1)			
Private final consumption expenditure												
Current prices trend (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	8 267	1.5	8.1	112 659	1.3	6.5	7.3	(1)			
Chain volume measures trend (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	7 869	0.5	4.8	107 961	0.7	4.1	7.3	(1)			
Private gross fixed capital formation												
Current prices trend (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	2 476	3.1	24.0	38 154	4.5	18.6	6.5	(1)			
Chain volume measures trend (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	2 419	2.9	22.5	37 174	3.8	16.9	6.5	(1)			
Compensation of employees												
Current prices trend (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	5 784	1.9	6.4	88 822	1.4	5.7	6.5	(1)			
International accounts												
Exports (\$m)	Jan 03	558.9	-32.9	-0.5	8 937.4	-13.9	-0.3	6.3	(2)			
Imports (\$m)	Jan 03	447.4	-18.9	10.1	10 887.3	-10.1	16.5	4.1	(2)			
Consumption and investment												
Retail turnover												
Current prices original (\$m)	Jan 03	1 085.2	-21.7	8.2	14 493.9	-21.7	6.4	7.5	(3)			
Current prices trend (\$m)	Jan 03	1 086.7	0.2	7.4	14 521.8	0.2	6.1	7.5	(3)			
Chain volume measures original (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	3 485.1	15.5	6.1	46 632.6	15.9	5.4	7.5	(3)			
New motor vehicle sales												
Original (no.)	Feb 03	4 754	19.2	14.1	66 735	9.1	3.0	7.1	(4)			
Trend (no.)	Feb 03	4 921	2.8	14.8	71 296	0.8	3.5	6.9	(4)			
Private new capital expenditure												
Current prices original (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	1 162	41.5	30.4	14 222	22.3	21.0	8.2	(5)			
Current prices trend (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	919	2.0	25.4	12 415	3.7	13.6	7.4	(5)			
Private new capital expenditure (\$m)	2001–02	3 113	8.8	..	44 380	4.1	..	7.0	(5)			
Tourist accommodation takings (\$m)	Dec qtr 02	64.9	18.3	16.3	1 314.1	6.2	8.6	4.9	(6)			
Production												
Dwelling unit approvals												
Original (no.)	Jan 03	784	-11.1	2.6	11 718	-9.4	-5.4	6.7	(7)			
Trend (no.)	Jan 03	986	-0.6	1.9	13 544	-3.8	-2.8	7.3	(7)			
Dwelling units commenced (no.)	Sept qtr 02	2 749	4.0	14.5	48 648	11.4	20.1	5.7	(8)			
Value of non-residential building approvals—trend (\$m)	Jan 03	83	-3.3	13.4	1 432	-2.6	17.2	5.8	(7)			
Value of total building activity												
Commenced (\$m)	Sept qtr 02	649.1	13.2	16.3	12 556.8	10.2	25.2	5.2	(8)			
Work done (\$m)	Sept qtr 02	613.3	9.8	36.1	12 026.7	10.3	29.3	5.1	(8)			
Work yet to be done (\$m)	Sept qtr 02	842.7	7.4	20.0	18 253.0	6.9	35.7	4.6	(8)			
Value of engineering construction work done (\$m)	Sept qtr 02	319.9	-17.0	4.4	5 505.1	-2.9	23.4	5.8	(9)			
Manufacturing production												
Red meat trend (tonnes)	Dec qtr 02	62 863	0.8	13.1	809 541	1.4	6.9	7.8	(11)			
Mineral exploration expenditure (other than for petroleum)(a) (\$m)	Dec qtr	10.0	3.1	25.0	192.8	5.4	12.9	5.2	(12)			

(a) From July 2000 value data no longer contains Wholesale Sales Tax.

Indicator	Period	South Australia			Australia			SA as a % of Aust.	Source index		
		% change from		Same period previous year	% change from						
		Previous period	Number		Previous period	Number	Same period previous year				
Prices(a)											
CPI—All groups (index no.)	Dec qtr 02	141.5	0.9	3.6	139.5	0.7	3.0	..	(13)		
Price index of materials used in house building (index no.)	Dec qtr 02	135.2	0.5	3.9	130.1	1.0	3.9	..	(14)		
Price index of materials used in building other than houses (index no.)	Dec qtr 02	123.3	1.2	4.2	122.8	1.0	4.0	..	(14)		
Price index of established houses (index no.)	Dec qtr 02	177.4	5.2	21.1	206.1	4.8	18.4	..	(15)		
Price index of project homes (index no.)	Dec qtr 02	155.5	1.2	5.4	142.5	0.8	3.6	..	(15)		
Labour force and demography											
Population (resident at end qtr) ('000)	Sep qtr 02	1 522.5	0.1	0.6	19 727.5	0.3	1.3	7.7	(16)		
Natural increase of the population ('000)	Sep qtr 02	0.9	-42.3	-23.8	24.8	-16.9	-6.9	3.8	(16)		
Labour force											
Original ('000)	Feb 03	758.9	1.4	2.1	10 195.7	1.0	2.4	7.4	(17)		
Trend ('000)	Feb 03	752.3	0.3	1.8	10 174.0	0.3	2.6	7.4	(17)		
Employed persons											
Original ('000)	Feb 03	707.6	1.2	3.1	9 516.0	0.8	3.1	7.4	(17)		
Trend ('000)	Feb 03	707.1	0.3	2.8	9 559.6	0.4	3.2	7.4	(17)		
Participation rate											
Original(b) (%)	Feb 03	61.8	0.8	1.4	64.6	0.6	0.6	..	(17)		
Trend(b) (%)	Feb 03	61.3	0.2	0.5	64.5	0.2	0.7	..	(17)		
Unemployment rate											
Original(b) (%)	Feb 03	6.8	0.2	-0.9	6.7	0.2	-0.6	..	(17)		
Trend(b) (%)	Feb 03	6.0	0.0	-0.9	6.0	-0.1	-0.6	..	(17)		
Job vacancies ('000)	Nov qtr 02	5.2	-33.3	-21.2	96.1	-12.3	10.0	5.4	(18)		
Industrial disputes ('000 working days lost)	Dec 02	0.5	-16.7	150.0	19.1	-26.3	81.9	2.6	(19)		
Income											
Average weekly earnings (full-time adults; ordinary time)											
Original (\$)	Nov qtr 02	818.9	1.7	2.9	889.6	1.2	4.8	..	(20)		
Trend (\$)	Nov qtr 02	813.9	0.8	2.2	888.5	1.1	4.7	..	(20)		
Wage cost index (total hourly rate excluding bonuses)(c) (index no.)	Dec qtr 02	118.5	1.4	4.0	118.3	0.8	3.4	..	(21)		
Financial markets											
Secured housing finance(d)											
Original (\$m)	Jan 03	464.6	-13.7	4.7	7584.9	-10.6	2.7	6.1	(22)		
Trend (\$m)	Jan 03	505.7	0.3	5.7	8620.9	0.5	6.8	5.9	(22)		
Finance commitments											
Personal (\$m)	Jan 03	357.8	-13.8	25.9	5158.7	-9.7	21.1	6.9	(23)		
Commercial (\$m)	Jan 03	888.9	-17.7	56.7	16104.7	-33.0	11.6	5.5	(23)		
Lease (\$m)	Jan 03	15.3	7.4	39.7	424.2	-23.3	-14.2	3.6	(23)		
Interest rates(b)											
Banks new housing loans (%)	Jan 03	..	..	..	6.6	0.0	0.5	..	(24)
Bank loans—small, medium business(e) (%)	Jan 03	..	..	..	8.0	0.0	0.5	..	(24)
Bank loans—large business (%)	Jan 03	..	..	..	8.4	0.0	0.5	..	(24)

(a) Base year of each index 1989-90 = 100.

(b) Change is shown in terms of percentage points.

(c) Base year of index Sep 1997 = 100.

(d) Excludes alterations and additions. Includes refinancing.

(e) Rate for business loans over \$50,000.

Indicator	Period	NSW	Vic.	Qld	SA	WA	Tas.	NT	ACT	Source index
SELECTED INDICATORS										
CPI—All groups(a) (index no.)	Dec qtr 02	140.4	139.0	139.9	141.5	136.4	138.0	136.2	139.2	(13)
Participation rate trend (%)	Feb 03	63.6	64.3	65.5	61.3	67.0	58.8	73.9	72.7	(17)
Unemployment rate trend (%)	Feb 03	6.0	5.4	6.9	6.0	5.9	9.2	5.5	4.1	(17)
Average weekly earnings (full-time adults; ordinary time) trend (\$)	Nov 02	933.60	894.50	821.50	813.90	887.30	820.90	862.40	1 017.00	(20)
SELECTED INDICATORS PER HEAD OF POPULATION(b)										
State final demand										
Chain volume measures trend (\$'000)	Dec 02	9.5	9.4	8.8	8.6	9.3	7.7	13.0	16.1	(1)
Retail turnover										
Current prices original (\$)	Jan 03	756.6	907.3	929.9	910.3	942.4	819.5	822.9	1 189.0	(3)
Current prices, trend	Jan 03	760.3	697.1	746.4	713.8	738.7	632.7	747.5	945.9	(3)
New motor vehicle Sales trend (no. per '000 population)	Feb 03	3.6	4.0	3.6	3.2	3.3	2.7	3.3	3.7	(4)
Private new capital expenditure										
Current prices trend (\$)	Dec qtr 02	522.9	646.9	612.0	603.6	855.0	437.3	2 523.7	453.1	(5)
Dwelling unit approvals										
Original (no. per '000 population)	Jan 03	0.531	0.627	0.634	0.515	0.858	0.298	0.152	0.431	(7)
Trend (no. per '000 population)	Jan 03	0.613	0.699	0.787	0.648	0.867	0.302	0.324	0.757	(7)
Secured housing finance(c) (\$)	Jan 03	423.6	373.1	373.2	305.2	429.6	192.9	170.9	399.1	(22)
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS PERIOD										
State final demand										
Chain volume measures trend (%)	Dec 02	1.4	1.1	1.2	1.1	2.5	0.3	-0.7	0.8	(1)
Retail turnover										
Current prices original (%)	Jan 03	-22.1	-23.2	-18.4	-21.7	-22.5	-22.8	-16.9	-24.8	(3)
Current prices, trend	Jan 03	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.2	0.8	0.4	-0.1	0.3	(3)
New motor vehicle sales trend (%)	Feb 03	0.7	0.6	0.6	2.8	1.0	0.6	2.0	0.5	(4)
Private new capital expenditure										
Current prices trend (%)	Dec qtr 02	2.4	2.1	6.8	2.0	3.8	-9.2	10.4	-3.3	(5)
Dwelling unit approvals										
Original (%)	Jan 03	0.1	-12.9	-17.6	-11.1	8.4	-29.5	-62.5	-56.0	(7)
Trend (%)	Jan 03	-3.3	-4.6	-4.5	-0.6	-0.9	-1.7	-14.4	-18.2	(7)
CPI—All groups (%)	Dec qtr 02	0.6	0.9	0.5	0.9	0.4	0.4	0.6	0.8	(13)
Participation rate trend(d) (%)	Feb 03	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.2	0.3	-0.2	(17)
Unemployment rate trend(d) (%)	Feb 03	0.1	-0.1	0.0	0.0	-0.1	0.2	0.1	0.0	(17)
Average weekly earnings (full-time adults; ordinary time) trend (%)	Nov 02	1.4	0.9	1.0	0.8	1.0	1.4	0.9	2.9	(20)
Secured housing finance (%)	Jan 03	-4.3	3.4	-5.1	1.4	-2.6	5.1	15.8	-14.6	(22)
(a) Base year of index 1989-90 = 100.										
(b) The latest quarterly estimate of Australian resident population has been used to calculate ratios for subsequent periods.										
(c) Excludes alterations and additions. Includes refinancing.										
(d) Change is shown in terms of percentage points.										

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STATE ACCOUNTS AT CURRENT PRICES

Period	Final consumption expenditure		Gross fixed capital formation			State final demand	Gross State product	Compensation of employees
	Households	General government	Private	Public				
ANNUAL (\$m)								
1999-00	26 618	8 789	(a)10 163	(a)-1 445	44 125	41 192	19 965	
2000-01	28 880	9 143	8 522	112	46 658	44 119	20 938	
2001-02	31 067	9 542	8 281	1 476	50 366	47 002	21 901	
QUARTERLY, TREND (\$m)								
2001-02								
September	7 508	2 392	1 906	380	12 187	n.a.	5 369	
December	7 646	2 414	1 996	400	12 456	n.a.	5 435	
March	7 815	2 445	2 136	389	12 785	n.a.	5 500	
June	7 991	2 499	2 281	367	13 133	n.a.	5 582	
2002-03								
September	8 141	2 545	2 401	358	13 444	n.a.	5 678	
December	8 267	2 575	2 476	359	13 714	n.a.	5 784	
(a) The negative figure for Public gross fixed capital formation and the larger than usual positive figure for Private gross fixed capital formation are the result of the sale of the South Australian electrical transmission network in December quarter 1999. For more information see <i>National Income, Expenditure and Product, Australian National Accounts, June 2000</i> (cat. no. 5206.0).								
Source: Australian National Accounts: <i>National Income, Expenditure and Product</i> (cat. no. 5206.0), and <i>Australian National Accounts: State Accounts</i> (cat. no. 5220.0).								

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STATE ACCOUNTS AT CHAIN VOLUME MEASURES(a)

Period	Final consumption expenditure		Gross fixed capital formation			State final demand	Gross State product
	Households	General government	Private	Public			
ANNUAL (\$m)							
1999-00	27 835	9 000	(b)10 516	(b)-2 384	45 859	42 727	
2000-01	28 880	9 143	8 522	-732	46 658	44 119	
2001-02	30 470	9 352	8 180	521	49 463	45 765	
QUARTERLY, TREND (\$m)							

2001-02

September	7 407	2 320	1 887	377	11 994	n.a.
December	7 512	2 336	1 975	396	12 218	n.a.
March	7 641	2 361	2 107	385	12 493	n.a.
June	7 756	2 399	2 240	364	12 757	n.a.

2002-03

September	7 832	2 435	2 350	355	12 971	n.a.
December	7 869	2 455	2 419	356	13 112	n.a.

(a) Reference year for chain volume measures is 2000-2001.

(b) The negative figure for Public gross fixed capital formation and the larger than usual positive figure for Private gross fixed capital formation are the result of the sale of the South Australian electrical transmission network in December quarter 1999. For more information see *National Income, Expenditure and Product, Australian National Accounts, June 2000* (cat. no. 5206.0).

Source: Australian National Accounts: *National Income, Expenditure and Product* (cat. no. 5206.0), and *Australian National Accounts: State Accounts* (cat. no. 5220.0).

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MERCHANDISE EXPORTS, BY SELECTED COMMODITY GROUP(a)

Period	\$'000	Meat and meat preparations		Wool and sheepskins (excl. wool tops)		Metals and metal manufactures	Fish and crustaceans	Road vehicles, parts and accessories	Petroleum and petroleum products	Total(b)
		Wheat	Wine	Machinery						
1999-00	160 483	473 086	899 348	179 716	353 205	805 744	394 375	883 792	218 466	6 188 231
2000-01	262 565	767 524	1 081 599	236 034	381 785	1 019 926	451 841	1 399 489	355 781	8 286 782
2001-02	316 263	1 154 933	1 358 316	256 722	321 445	913 417	474 854	1 613 919	250 728	9 103 263
2001-02										
August	16 578	104 764	111 866	12 339	23 309	65 167	109 720	87 611	28 997	757 774
September	26 569	50 769	145 952	14 797	23 338	83 420	18 330	157 731	26 830	747 539
October	29 804	74 206	134 368	23 871	24 161	80 651	16 992	217 406	17 879	839 374
November	30 056	95 995	81 272	24 908	21 862	89 069	23 757	135 759	30 543	716 786
December	32 136	93 070	105 237	17 789	23 070	62 905	31 363	207 778	20 094	820 447
January	22 604	136 558	61 255	15 357	19 868	63 089	35 902	25 652	16 755	561 836
February	31 183	86 109	83 914	23 524	25 522	82 009	26 187	122 727	2 328	745 077
March	34 065	119 775	127 140	32 960	35 610	88 158	22 365	170 972	44 358	876 068
April	24 011	102 777	122 653	22 942	32 351	74 900	25 363	134 415	8 900	756 976
May	26 189	114 535	146 020	34 208	33 412	85 067	22 517	84 964	32 896	790 765
June	24 324	91 704	148 574	18 967	27 472	58 902	36 472	183 302	16 920	795 950
2002-03										
July	17 509	25 309	115 141	20 534	27 470	67 414	90 175	110 752	27 041	704 054
August	16 462	87 890	121 771	14 495	24 896	64 984	138 036	134 638	25 870	831 183
September	27 759	60 374	168 465	20 770	31 641	71 819	38 038	82 804	23 846	759 826
October	29 930	50 488	141 669	29 127	24 139	81 376	19 854	115 691	25 432	687 160
November	35 026	65 111	96 798	31 088	26 285	74 640	24 713	276 999	19 613	818 300
December	32 765	54 121	128 919	30 356	28 324	90 751	26 181	207 509	30 323	832 925
January	24 195	58 429	79 864	17 721	17 026	69 550	29 303	31 453	43 958	558 940

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(b) Includes other commodity groups not listed.

Source: ABS data available on request.

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MERCHANDISE EXPORTS, BY SELECTED COUNTRIES AND COUNTRY GROUPS(a)

	European Union					South-East and North-East Asia				
	United States of America	Middle East	United Kingdom	Total European Union	New Zealand	Japan	China	Hong Kong	ASEAN(b)	Total
Period	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999-00	954 681	724 871	625 154	1073 928	446 026	787 295	315 199	255 679	495 407	2297913
2000-01	1354 759	1335 811	713 525	1232 563	480 887	963 481	437 939	298 939	683 694	2882839
2001-02	1597 719	1825 194	784 284	1337 855	568 712	937 578	406 163	240 066	597 414	2594269
2001-02										
August	131 917	134 855	67 349	98 428	52 532	146 655	19 060	16 613	44 737	258525
September	149 121	114 225	93 941	150 232	53 822	74 345	49 322	9 474	51 369	211033
October	137 817	183 472	92 365	159 319	52 409	45 629	39 129	21 422	47 863	213989
November	142 528	120 739	46 215	92 135	50 254	85 470	44 104	25 897	48 064	242844
December	187 722	172 462	54 885	108 541	52 684	71 934	35 887	24 400	41 258	200880
January	44 318	156 335	34 647	75 972	21 104	39 434	17 643	31 673	54 174	169495
February	96 390	159 853	48 505	93 817	39 929	61 201	20 759	25 147	54 562	191254
March	151 253	187 747	70 929	134 750	54 261	59 059	63 357	27 514	53 655	245651
April	131 376	191 395	64 676	96 837	61 889	74 655	33 973	12 231	41 571	196230
May	129 531	133 050	79 270	116 645	36 358	53 042	37 268	19 133	51 573	205755
June	179 897	149 770	78 219	124 464	44 543	84 535	27 599	14 205	53 962	208237
2002-03										
July	74 918	102 167	69 831	116 422	55 005	129 520	24 783	7 936	52 596	270954
August	149 657	99 934	69 969	115 135	64 596	189 807	29 888	15 393	47 653	311563
September	95 913	126 778	107 251	170 629	46 330	91 725	35 019	7 956	53 856	233286
October	124 393	107 491	77 662	115 311	51 528	64 473	34 478	13 004	63 230	216810
November	240 539	175 612	37 858	74 740	54 858	35 195	53 271	30 319	52 336	210915
December	165 038	104 428	71 636	121 829	81 391	54 391	39 883	22 493	87 550	261526
January	61 485	83 349	46 384	82 596	23 247	83 562	39 118	50 026	46 011	249427

(a) See International Merchandise Trade, Australia (cat. no. 5422.0) for country group definitions.

(b) Figures from September 2001 have been updated to include Cambodia in the ASEAN country grouping.

Source: ABS data available on request.

MERCHANDISE IMPORTS, BY SELECTED COMMODITY GROUP(a)

	Food, beverages and tobacco	Petroleum and petroleum products	Chemicals	Textiles	Metals and metal manu- factures	Machinery	Road vehicle parts and accessories	Other manu- factured goods	Total(b)
Period	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000	\$'000
1999-00	163 509	515 641	263 959	97 100	262 737	1 164 672	834 842	845 913	4 319 348
2000-01	183 196	968 428	284 227	97 281	315 327	1 205 016	854 759	926 817	5 044 553
2001-02	205 295	869 161	266 527	106 543	332 538	1 399 576	887 698	1 058 212	5 346 782
2001-02									
August	19 403	139 722	19 498	10 687	29 850	139 726	98 097	111 202	584 391
September	17 922	172 850	19 594	7 687	25 943	104 533	68 422	92 551	523 420
October	23 648	63 528	19 978	9 154	33 610	159 511	82 343	91 382	496 998
November	25 109	13 766	21 446	10 959	25 354	130 063	66 386	95 258	406 947
December	17 232	78 949	18 247	6 218	23 108	99 669	52 322	70 152	379 968
January	16 611	1 347	26 023	9 135	33 252	136 134	63 910	94 197	406 187
February	16 447	127 019	19 898	8 556	24 823	109 118	73 577	91 103	490 816
March	12 504	39 514	35 457	8 338	26 536	94 835	72 474	79 012	389 943
April	11 993	78 266	24 836	9 947	27 980	113 247	81 305	79 415	450 747
May	14 585	62 102	27 331	9 842	27 092	117 219	80 639	86 692	445 885
June	15 103	64 704	14 566	8 448	26 002	96 307	73 499	77 657	393 051
2002-03									
July	17 666	66 712	18 971	7 211	33 106	111 832	88 041	91 501	454 751
August	20 355	63 951	19 172	11 171	35 439	121 990	83 005	97 867	476 144
September	19 907	79 309	20 444	8 920	32 522	123 896	77 186	92 519	474 629
October	27 427	75 644	20 841	11 574	36 988	138 634	102 871	111 149	549 856
November	25 409	99 478	17 968	8 485	32 307	130 026	86 247	99 157	525 560
December	23 239	138 539	18 714	7 312	29 503	161 897	58 838	92 031	551 329
January	20 923	11 253	27 344	7 314	38 037	135 188	83 187	100 514	447 374

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(b) Includes other commodity groups not listed.

Source: ABS data available on request.

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TURNOVER OF RETAIL ESTABLISHMENTS, BY INDUSTRY—TREND

	Food retailing	Department stores	Clothing and soft good retailing	Household good retailing	Recreational good retailing	Other retailing	Hospitality and services	Total
Period	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
2001-02								
November	423.1	97.1	49.3	123.3	27.3	112.2	156.4	988.7
December	425.6	98.2	50.2	126.2	28.0	111.7	159.5	999.2
January	427.9	98.9	51.3	129.6	28.7	111.7	163.5	1011.6
February	430.3	99.3	52.3	133.4	28.9	112.5	167.5	1024.6
March	433.1	99.4	53.1	136.6	28.7	114.1	170.8	1036.4
April	436.4	99.4	53.6	138.6	28.3	116.3	173.5	1046.9
May	440.3	99.4	53.8	139.0	28.3	118.4	175.8	1055.6
June	444.0	99.6	54.0	137.9	28.7	120.2	178.2	1062.7
2002-03								
July	447.4	99.9	54.5	136.3	29.5	121.4	180.4	1069.0
August	449.9	100.5	55.4	135.0	30.6	121.5	181.9	1073.9
September	451.4	101.5	56.6	134.3	31.6	120.7	182.3	1077.6
October	452.2	102.6	58.0	134.5	32.4	119.3	182.0	1080.3
November	452.6	103.8	59.5	135.1	32.9	117.6	181.4	1082.6
December	452.9	104.8	60.9	135.7	33.3	115.8	181.0	1084.9
January	452.4	105.6	62.2	136.5	33.5	114.4	180.6	1086.7

Source: *Retail Trade, Australia* (cat. no. 8501.0).

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NEW MOTOR VEHICLE SALES, BY TYPE OF VEHICLE

Period	Original			Seasonally adjusted			Trend estimate		
	Passenger vehicles	Other vehicles	Total	Passenger vehicles	Other vehicles	Total	Passenger vehicles	Other vehicles	Total
2001-02									
December	2989	1390	4379	2852	1268	4120	2896	1310	4206
January	2681	1046	3727	3492	1391	4883	2912	1335	4247
February	2892	1276	4168	3057	1426	4483	2925	1360	4285
March	2889	1335	4224	2866	1252	4118	2932	1384	4316
April	2727	1258	3985	2954	1405	4359	2936	1406	4342
May	2945	1703	4648	2859	1511	4370	2947	1419	4366
June	3342	1801	5143	3028	1420	4448	2968	1433	4401
2002-03									
July	3049	1408	4457	2941	1419	4360	2982	1437	4419
August	3108	1429	4537	3010	1417	4427	2985	1433	4418
September	2936	1251	4187	3121	1460	4581	2987	1431	4418
October	3109	1390	4499	2989	1445	4434	3006	1443	4449
November	3134	1507	4641	2925	1501	4426	3053	1475	4528
December	3062	1469	4531	2862	1276	4138	3129	1516	4645
January	2653	1335	3988	3467	1769	5236	3223	1562	4785
February	3290	1464	4754	3476	1634	5110	3315	1606	4921

Source: *Sales of New Motor Vehicles, Australia* (cat. no. 9314.0.55.001).

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ACTUAL PRIVATE NEW CAPITAL EXPENDITURE, BY SELECTED INDUSTRY AND TYPE OF ASSET

Period	Industry				Type of asset	
	Mining	Manufacturing	Other selected industries	Total	New buildings and structures	Equipment, plant and machinery
ANNUAL (\$m)						
1999-00	251	899	1 431	2 580	640	1 939
2000-01	434	891	1 537	2 862	692	2 170
2001-02	355	927	1 831	3 113	617	2 496
QUARTERLY, ORIGINAL (\$m)						
2001-02						
September	79	206	326	611	136	475
December	97	267	527	891	186	705
March	78	198	439	714	136	578
June	101	256	539	897	159	738
2002-03						
September	117	237	466	821	159	662
December	173	306	684	1 162	215	947
QUARTERLY, TREND (\$m)						
2001-02						
September	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	671	133	538
December	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	733	151	582
March	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	812	161	651
June	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	868	165	703
2002-03						
September	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	901	168	733
December	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	919	169	750

Source: Private New Capital Expenditure, Australia (cat. no. 5625.0) and ABS data available on request.

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TOURIST ACCOMMODATION

Period	Licensed hotels with facilities				Motels and guesthouses				Serviced apartments			
	Establishments	Guest rooms	Room occupancy	Takings \$'000	Establishments	Guest rooms	Room occupancy	Takings \$'000	Establishments	Guest rooms	Room occupancy	Takings \$'000
	no.	no.	%	\$'000	no.	no.	%	\$'000	no.	no.	%	\$'000
2000-01												
December	62	4 128	58.2	26 070	146	5 204	54.4	21 557	26	1 220	62.4	7 232
March	62	3 905	59.9	25 686	146	5 217	55.2	21 889	27	1 280	67.1	7 955
June	61	4 066	55.9	23 849	146	5 230	50.5	20 289	27	1 300	63.2	7 959
2001-02												
September	61	4 078	56.3	23 498	146	5 231	49.7	19 926	27	1 293	60.1	7 019
December	61	4 083	61.0	26 556	144	5 170	51.9	21 044	27	1 283	67.0	8 218
March	62	4 091	61.6	27 321	145	5 196	55.6	22 468	27	1 293	70.5	8 454
June	62	4 364	55.4	24 362	145	5 234	50.4	20 482	29	1 357	65.6	8 078
2002-03												
September	63	4 381	57.9	26 109	144	5 220	49.4	20 150	30	1 430	65.8	8 595
December	62	4 362	64.8	31 051	145	5 232	55.6	23 424	31	1 435	70.3	10 424

Source: Tourist Accommodation, Australia (cat. no. 8635.0).

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BUILDING APPROVALS

Period	Houses		Total dwelling units		New residential building \$m	Alterations and additions to residential building \$m	Total residential building \$m	Non-residential building \$m	Total building \$m
	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total					
	no.	no.	no.	no.					
ANNUAL									
1999-00	8 290	8 392	9 915	10 024	1 022.9	188.9	1211.8	585.7	1797.5
2000-01	5 555	5 644	6 659	6 775	735.6	157.3	892.9	718.2	1611.1
2001-02	8 863	9 177	10 527	10 881	1201.0	191.6	1392.6	800.7	2193.3
MONTHLY, ORIGINAL									
2001-02									
October	778	797	877	904	98.0	19.6	117.7	81.9	199.6
November	764	810	881	931	100.4	16.1	116.5	57.3	173.8
December	699	745	924	970	107.9	13.0	120.9	42.9	163.7
January	667	688	741	764	86.7	13.2	99.8	94.0	193.9
February	770	839	899	971	104.8	17.7	122.6	59.6	182.2
March	756	774	886	904	97.0	14.3	111.3	74.9	186.2
April	701	714	970	987	111.3	16.2	127.5	55.8	183.3
May	799	823	957	981	119.3	16.5	135.9	55.5	191.4
June	716	742	776	804	94.9	17.6	112.6	66.2	178.7
2002-03									
July	796	843	878	935	113.7	20.1	133.8	53.3	187.2
August	808	838	1 038	1 072	110.2	22.0	132.2	121.0	253.2
September	763	795	826	860	99.7	20.3	120.0	75.1	195.1
October	729	767	1 083	1 125	198.0	20.5	218.5	56.1	274.6
November	723	760	884	933	117.0	20.1	137.1	152.2	289.3
December	571	614	837	882	111.7	19.5	131.2	64.6	195.8
January	494	515	757	784	93.7	16.7	110.4	39.8	150.2
MONTHLY, TREND									
2001-02									
October	758	785	895	927	98.0	15.7	113.7	70.3	184.0
November	763	798	907	946	102.0	15.7	117.8	73.3	191.1
December	764	803	917	959	105.6	15.7	121.3	74.4	195.7
January	763	802	927	968	108.9	15.8	124.7	73.2	197.9
February	756	792	926	963	110.8	15.9	126.7	69.7	196.4
March	745	776	916	948	111.1	16.0	127.1	65.1	192.3
April	738	765	896	925	107.4	16.4	123.9	61.9	185.8
May	739	765	876	905	103.1	17.1	120.2	60.2	180.4
June	748	776	869	901	102.2	17.9	120.1	61.7	181.8
2002-03									
July	759	790	877	912	106.3	18.7	125.0	68.0	193.1
August	761	796	893	933	114.1	19.4	133.5	76.7	210.1
September	747	784	916	958	122.6	19.9	142.5	83.4	226.0
October	720	756	939	980	129.6	20.1	149.7	87.4	237.1
November	686	721	949	990	132.8	20.2	153.1	88.0	241.1
December	654	688	952	992	132.9	20.3	153.2	85.9	239.1
January	623	655	948	986	130.9	20.3	151.2	83.0	234.2

Source: Building Approvals, Australia (cat. no. 8731.0) and ABS data available on request.

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BUILDING COMMENCEMENTS

	New houses		Total dwelling units(a)			Non-residential building			
	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total	New residential building	Alterations and additions to residential building	Private sector	Total	Total building
Period	no.	no.	no.	no.	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
1999-00	7 729	7 856	9 266	9 410	1 044.8	198.8	351.2	576.8	1 820.5
2000-01	5 303	5 390	6 442	6 556	779.2	161.3	390.5	729.6	1 670.1
2001-02	8 030	8 281	9 702	9 991	1 236.2	197.4	575.0	761.9	2 195.5
2000-01									
September	1 380	1 419	1 777	1 819	228.9	25.6	104.8	166.3	420.8
December	1 345	1 350	1 498	1 512	167.8	44.3	122.8	151.4	363.5
March	1 157	1 179	1 562	1 597	186.5	43.6	70.9	111.2	341.2
June	1 422	1 443	1 605	1 628	196.0	47.9	91.9	300.7	544.6
2001-02									
September	1 835	1 857	2 365	2 400	324.0	45.1	145.3	188.7	557.9
December	2 217	2 273	2 543	2 613	307.8	52.7	167.2	199.4	559.9
March	1 853	1 949	2 232	2 335	280.0	50.5	122.6	173.7	504.1
June	2 125	2 202	2 563	2 644	324.4	49.0	139.9	200.1	573.6
2002-03									
September	2 309	2 401	2 645	2 749	354.7	57.6	171.0	236.8	649.1

(a) Includes conversions.

Source: *Building Activity, Australia* (cat. no. 8752.0).

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VALUE OF BUILDING WORK DONE AND COMPLETED DURING PERIOD

Period	New houses		New residential building		Alterations and additions to residential building		Non-residential building		Total building		
	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total	Alterations and additions to residential building	Total residential building	Private sector	Total	Private sector	Total	
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	
VALUE OF BUILDING WORK DONE											
1999-00	798.1	812.2	984.5	999.9	195.5	1 195.4	409.9	629.4	1 585.1	1 824.8	
2000-01	679.7	686.9	835.5	845.0	161.9	1 006.8	395.0	624.0	1 385.4	1 630.9	
2001-02	852.9	871.7	1 043.3	1 065.3	193.9	1 259.2	522.1	778.2	1 754.6	2 037.4	
2000-01											
September	175.9	178.2	228.3	230.7	30.9	261.5	84.0	138.2	341.8	399.7	
December	179.6	180.9	216.0	218.3	42.1	260.4	116.6	176.1	372.9	436.5	
March	162.6	164.0	193.8	195.7	40.7	236.4	97.2	145.7	330.1	382.1	
June	161.6	163.8	197.3	200.3	48.2	248.6	97.2	163.9	340.6	412.5	
2001-02											
September	184.2	187.2	227.7	231.2	48.7	279.9	112.7	170.6	386.9	450.5	
December	219.4	222.6	261.9	265.5	48.4	314.0	146.8	213.8	456.3	527.7	
March	215.1	220.0	262.5	268.6	46.9	315.4	131.3	185.0	439.7	500.4	
June	234.2	242.0	291.2	300.0	49.8	349.8	131.3	208.9	471.7	558.7	
2002-03											
September	261.1	270.4	320.3	330.4	57.5	388.0	163.1	225.3	540.3	613.3	
VALUE OF BUILDING WORK COMPLETED											
1999-00	713.5	730.1	867.6	886.2	191.9	1 078.1	362.9	538.4	1 419.4	1 616.4	
2000-01	758.7	763.6	942.8	949.0	154.4	1 103.4	436.3	591.5	1 526.5	1 694.9	
2001-02	750.8	766.9	884.9	904.3	180.5	1 084.8	430.7	718.7	1 489.7	1 803.6	
2000-01											
September	175.5	176.2	199.0	199.9	31.4	231.4	133.2	180.5	362.5	411.9	
December	222.2	224.8	313.7	317.3	35.8	353.1	82.8	107.7	430.7	460.8	
March	173.0	174.3	216.4	217.9	34.9	252.8	82.4	138.5	330.9	391.2	
June	188.0	188.3	213.7	213.9	52.2	266.1	137.9	164.9	402.4	431.0	
2001-02											
September	149.9	153.2	173.1	177.6	55.0	232.6	75.5	121.0	300.5	353.7	
December	194.3	197.6	220.5	224.4	38.1	262.5	129.3	259.9	386.3	522.4	
March	174.8	177.2	231.9	234.8	39.4	274.2	83.8	127.4	353.7	401.6	
June	231.7	238.9	259.4	267.4	48.1	315.6	142.0	210.3	449.2	525.9	
2002-03											
September	209.1	219.3	240.1	252.2	45.5	297.7	111.7	164.9	396.6	462.6	

Source: *Building Activity, Australia* (cat. no. 8752.0).

<i>Period</i>	<i>Pigmeat</i> <i>tonnes</i>	<i>Beef</i> <i>tonnes</i>	<i>Mutton</i> <i>tonnes</i>	<i>Lamb</i> <i>tonnes</i>	<i>Sawn timber(a)</i> <i>m³</i>
1999-00	31 927	78 001	28 969	56 667	425 549
2000-01	36 679	82 533	36 103	61 893	389 417
2001-02	48 329	85 882	30 342	64 285	434 577
2000-01					
December	8 143	21 982	9 826	15 689	89 486
March	9 785	23 367	9 885	14 968	75 558
June	10 524	19 172	8 321	15 451	97 933
2001-02					
September	10 274	18 271	6 290	11 694	103 774
December	9 754	21 325	8 221	17 627	111 797
March	12 583	23 748	8 895	17 232	111 697
June	15 718	22 539	6 936	17 732	107 309
2002-03					
September	15 531	19 663	9 351	11 493	111 724
December	14 865	23 357	10 073	14 864	110 734

(a) From Australian softwood logs only.

Source: *Livestock Products, Australia* (cat. no. 7215.0) and ABS data available on request.

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CONSUMER PRICE INDEX, BY GROUP—ADELAIDE

Period	Food	Alcohol and tobacco	Clothing and foot-wear	Housing	House furnishings, supplies and services	Health	Transportation	Communication	Recreation	Education	Miscellaneous	All groups
ANNUAL AVERAGE (1989–90 = 100.0)												
1999–00	130.8	179.1	103.3	97.0	112.9	165.7	129.4	97.7	119.1	215.8	148.8	126.3
2000–01	136.7	198.3	111.9	104.3	117.1	169.5	138.0	104.7	122.9	225.9	159.3	133.5
2001–02	143.1	207.3	111.1	108.2	120.6	173.0	135.8	105.8	126.9	235.8	165.1	137.2
QUARTERLY (1989–90 = 100.0)												
2001–02												
September	140.5	205.9	108.4	106.8	120.6	170.9	136.4	103.6	123.1	231.0	163.5	135.3
December	143.8	205.5	112.2	107.9	120.9	169.3	134.4	106.0	125.6	231.1	163.8	136.6
March	144.6	207.8	110.6	108.6	120.0	173.7	133.9	106.2	129.0	240.6	166.0	137.7
June	143.6	210.0	113.0	109.5	120.9	178.0	138.4	107.3	129.9	240.6	167.0	139.1
2002–03												
September	145.4	210.4	111.5	112.1	121.4	178.1	138.0	109.2	131.5	240.7	171.2	140.3
December	148.1	213.3	112.2	113.0	123.2	178.1	138.8	109.6	131.5	240.7	170.9	141.5
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM SAME QUARTER OF PREVIOUS YEAR												
2001–02												
September	5.0	6.5	-4.6	2.8	4.0	1.4	-0.3	-1.8	0.3	4.6	3.6	2.3
December	7.2	4.8	0.9	3.8	4.4	1.0	-2.3	1.0	1.8	4.6	3.5	3.1
March	3.7	3.6	0.1	4.0	2.2	1.8	-2.3	1.8	4.9	4.2	3.8	2.7
June	3.0	3.3	0.6	4.4	1.3	3.9	-1.4	3.3	6.0	4.2	3.6	3.0
2002–03												
September	3.5	2.2	2.9	5.0	0.7	4.2	1.2	5.4	6.8	4.2	4.7	3.7
December	3.0	3.8	0.0	4.7	1.9	5.2	3.3	3.4	4.7	4.2	4.3	3.6
PERCENTAGE CHANGE FROM PREVIOUS QUARTER												
2001–02												
September	0.8	1.3	-3.5	1.8	1.1	-0.2	-2.8	-0.3	0.5	0.0	1.4	0.1
December	2.3	-0.2	3.5	1.0	0.2	-0.9	-1.5	2.3	2.0	0.0	0.2	1.0
March	0.6	1.1	-1.4	0.6	-0.7	2.6	-0.4	0.2	2.7	4.1	1.3	0.8
June	-0.7	1.1	2.2	0.8	0.8	2.5	3.4	1.0	0.7	0.0	0.6	1.0
2002–03												
September	1.3	0.2	-1.3	2.4	0.4	0.1	-0.3	1.8	1.2	0.0	2.5	0.9
December	1.9	1.4	0.6	0.8	1.5	0.0	0.6	0.4	0.0	0.0	-0.2	0.9

Source: Consumer Price Index (cat. no. 6401.0).

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ESTIMATED RESIDENT POPULATION AND COMPONENTS OF POPULATION CHANGE(a)

Period	Net migration				Population at end of period
	Natural increase	Interstate	Overseas(b)	Total increase	
1999-00	6 306	-3 531	3 829	7 219	1 505 038
2000-01	5 495	-2 418	2 765	6 690	1 511 728
2001-02	5 887	-1 854	4 481	8 514	1 520 242
2000-01					
September	1 147	-618	877	1 616	1 506 654
December	1 385	-789	566	1 374	1 508 028
March	1 691	-821	1 276	2 358	1 510 386
June	1 272	-190	46	1 342	1 511 728
2001-02					
September	1 244	-632	1 130	1 742	1 513 470
December	1 264	-171	1 185	2 278	1 515 748
March	1 737	-529	1 665	2 873	1 518 621
June	1 642	-522	501	1 621	1 520 242
2002-03					
September	948	-17	1 283	2 214	1 522 456

(a) Differences between the sum of the components and the total of population growth are attributed to intercensal discrepancy.

Source: Australian Demographic Statistics (cat. no. 3101.0).

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BIRTHS, DEATHS, MARRIAGES AND DIVORCES

Period	Births	Deaths	Registrations	
			Marriages	Divorces
1999-00	17 896	11 590	8 428	4 197
2000-01	17 414	11 919	7 689	4 072
2001-02	17 481	11 594	7 474	4 448
1999-00				
June	4 449	3 001	1 996	984
2000-01				
September	4 441	3 294	1 092	1 056
December	4 274	2 889	2 703	1 031
March	4 402	2 711	2 175	824
June	4 297	3 025	1 719	1 161
2001-02				
September	4 398	3 154	1 096	1 387
December	4 109	2 845	2 444	1 173
March	4 564	2 827	2 135	930
June	4 410	2 768	1 799	958
2002-03				
September	4 355	3 407	1 019	1 062

Source: Australian Demographic Statistics (cat. no. 3101.0).

Period	Employed full-time		Employed part-time		Total employed		Unemployed		Labour force	
	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females	Males	Females
ANNUAL AVERAGE ('000)										
1999-00	322.1	152.5	56.1	142.4	378.2	294.9	34.6	23.9	412.8	318.7
2000-01	322.6	156.7	54.8	143.5	377.4	300.2	32.6	20.2	410.0	320.4
2001-02	319.2	153.2	59.2	153.1	378.4	306.3	31.8	20.0	410.2	326.2
MONTHLY, ORIGINAL ('000)										
2001-02										
December	322.1	158.8	59.6	151.1	381.7	309.9	32.0	20.2	413.8	330.1
January	322.1	151.4	56.9	147.4	379.0	298.8	33.4	22.8	412.4	321.6
February	318.9	152.6	62.4	152.3	381.3	304.9	34.7	22.2	416.0	327.1
March	320.4	147.7	64.0	157.6	384.4	305.3	28.7	21.3	413.1	326.6
April	319.4	147.9	63.5	163.8	382.9	311.6	30.1	18.5	413.0	330.1
May	321.0	152.4	59.8	156.5	380.8	308.9	31.2	19.3	412.0	328.2
June	318.3	147.0	61.9	164.7	380.2	311.7	29.9	19.5	410.1	331.2
2002-03										
July	325.3	149.7	56.8	155.6	382.1	305.3	26.0	18.5	408.1	323.8
August	324.8	150.6	54.8	155.7	379.6	306.3	28.8	20.1	408.4	326.4
September	327.8	154.8	63.3	158.7	391.1	313.5	26.9	21.2	418.0	334.7
October	322.4	155.4	62.2	157.5	384.6	312.9	26.2	18.9	410.8	331.8
November	327.1	154.1	57.2	160.1	384.3	314.2	26.7	17.0	410.9	331.2
December	337.6	162.7	56.3	154.4	393.9	317.1	24.3	17.6	418.2	334.6
January	336.0	163.1	51.0	149.4	387.0	312.5	30.5	18.8	417.5	331.4
February	338.4	168.6	50.6	150.0	389.0	318.6	31.5	19.9	420.5	338.5
MONTHLY, TREND ('000)										
2001-02										
December	319.2	154.1	59.1	151.1	378.3	305.2	31.6	20.1	410.0	325.3
January	319.6	153.0	60.3	153.0	379.9	306.0	31.3	20.2	411.2	326.2
February	319.9	151.9	61.3	155.1	381.2	307.0	31.0	20.1	412.2	327.1
March	320.4	151.1	61.6	157.0	382.0	308.1	30.8	19.9	412.8	327.9
April	321.0	150.6	61.2	158.5	382.2	309.1	30.6	19.6	412.8	328.7
May	321.8	150.5	60.5	159.2	382.3	309.7	30.3	19.5	412.6	329.2
June	322.6	150.7	59.8	159.2	382.4	309.9	30.0	19.6	412.3	329.5
2002-03										
July	323.3	150.8	59.5	158.8	382.8	309.6	29.3	19.9	412.1	329.5
August	324.1	151.1	59.6	158.1	383.7	309.2	28.4	20.1	412.1	329.3
September	325.3	152.1	59.6	157.3	384.9	309.4	27.4	20.0	412.3	329.4
October	327.0	153.9	59.1	156.5	386.1	310.4	26.7	19.6	412.9	330.1
November	329.1	156.3	58.0	155.9	387.1	312.2	26.5	19.1	413.6	331.3
December	331.4	159.0	56.5	155.3	387.9	314.3	26.6	18.6	414.5	332.9
January	333.7	161.7	54.9	154.7	388.6	316.4	26.9	18.1	415.5	334.5
February	335.8	164.1	53.2	154.0	389.0	318.1	27.4	17.8	416.4	335.9

(a) Population aged 15 years and over.

Source: Labour Force, Australia, Preliminary (cat. no. 6202.0).

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CIVILIAN LABOUR FORCE, UNEMPLOYMENT AND PARTICIPATION RATES(a)

Period	Civilian population		Persons aged 15–19	Unemployment rate			Participation rate		
	Males aged 15 and over	Females aged 15 and over		Males all ages	Females all ages	Persons all ages	Males	Females	Persons
'000	'000	%	%	%	%	%	%	%	
ANNUAL AVERAGE									
1999–00	587.6	613.8	20.0	8.4	7.5	8.0	70.3	51.9	60.9
2000–01	591.6	616.9	17.9	8.0	6.3	7.2	69.3	51.9	60.4
2001–02	595.4	620.5	18.5	7.8	6.1	7.1	68.9	52.6	60.6
MONTHLY, ORIGINAL									
2001–02									
December	595.1	620.1	20.9	7.7	6.1	7.0	69.5	53.2	61.2
January	595.5	620.5	24.4	8.1	7.1	7.7	69.3	51.8	60.4
February	595.9	620.9	19.1	8.3	6.8	7.7	69.8	52.7	61.1
March	596.2	621.3	18.3	6.9	6.5	6.8	69.3	52.6	60.8
April	596.6	621.7	16.3	7.3	5.6	6.5	69.2	53.1	61.0
May	597.0	622.1	17.9	7.6	5.9	6.8	69.0	52.8	60.7
June	597.4	622.5	17.5	7.3	5.9	6.7	68.6	53.2	60.8
2002–03									
July	597.9	623.0	13.0	6.4	5.7	6.1	68.3	52.0	59.9
August	598.4	623.5	16.3	7.0	6.2	6.7	68.2	52.4	60.1
September	598.9	624.0	16.6	6.4	6.3	6.4	69.8	53.6	61.5
October	599.3	624.4	16.3	6.4	5.7	6.1	68.5	53.1	60.7
November	599.8	624.8	14.9	6.5	5.1	5.9	68.5	53.0	60.6
December	600.2	625.2	15.5	5.8	5.3	5.6	69.7	53.5	61.4
January	600.9	625.8	19.7	7.3	5.7	6.6	69.5	53.0	61.0
February	601.6	626.3	18.3	7.5	5.9	6.8	69.9	54.0	61.8
MONTHLY, TREND									
2001–02									
December	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7.7	6.2	7	68.9	52.5	60.5
January	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7.6	6.2	7	69	52.6	60.6
February	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7.5	6.1	6.9	69.2	52.7	60.8
March	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7.5	6.1	6.8	69.2	52.8	60.8
April	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7.4	6	6.8	69.2	52.9	60.9
May	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7.4	5.9	6.7	69.1	52.9	60.8
June	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7.3	5.9	6.7	69	52.9	60.8
2002–03									
July	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	7.1	6	6.6	68.9	52.9	60.7
August	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.9	6.1	6.5	68.9	52.8	60.7
September	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.7	6.1	6.4	68.8	52.8	60.7
October	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.5	5.9	6.2	68.9	52.9	60.7
November	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.4	5.8	6.1	69	53	60.8
December	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.4	5.6	6	69	53.2	61
January	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.5	5.4	6	69.2	53.5	61.1
February	n.a.	n.a.	n.a.	6.6	5.3	6	69.3	53.6	61.3

(a) Population aged 15 years and over.

Source: *Labour Force, Australia, Preliminary* (cat. no. 6202.0).

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AVERAGE WEEKLY EARNINGS OF EMPLOYEES

Period	Males			Females			Persons		
	Full-time adult ordinary time earnings	Full-time adult total earnings	All males total earnings	Full-time adult ordinary time earnings	Full-time adult total earnings	All females total earnings	Full-time adult ordinary time earnings	Full-time adult total earnings	All employees total earnings
ANNUAL AVERAGE (\$ per week)									
1999-00	756.80	812.50	695.00	641.70	663.30	457.20	714.40	757.50	575.90
2000-01	811.30	864.40	746.80	685.20	703.90	491.20	765.70	806.40	619.70
2001-02	830.20	890.18	775.00	731.10	744.33	505.18	797.18	841.68	643.75
QUARTERLY, ORIGINAL (\$ per week)									
2001-02									
August	832.60	875.90	771.20	714.50	727.10	513.00	791.70	824.30	644.50
November	827.80	884.90	772.10	733.00	745.80	506.00	796.10	838.40	641.40
February	831.00	900.50	773.20	741.80	754.60	497.90	801.50	852.20	639.20
May	829.40	899.40	783.50	735.10	749.80	503.80	799.40	851.80	649.90
2002-03									
August	829.90	877.40	765.50	757.20	770.30	543.20	805.50	841.40	661.80
September	851.10	902.10	781.00	755.80	769.30	527.20	818.90	857.20	662.40
QUARTERLY, TREND (\$ per week)									
2001-02									
August	828.70	879.10	768.40	716.90	730.30	505.50	790.10	827.80	639.50
November	830.30	887.10	772.30	728.00	740.90	502.60	796.10	838.30	640.50
February	828.90	894.00	774.80	737.50	751.00	503.80	799.10	847.30	643.10
May	830.80	895.20	776.30	745.00	758.70	513.40	802.70	850.40	650.30
2002-03									
August	835.90	892.50	776.50	751.60	764.90	526.50	807.80	850.10	659.00
September	842.80	889.10	775.30	757.20	770.00	537.80	813.90	848.60	665.90

Source: Average Weekly Earnings, States and Australia (cat. no. 6302.0).

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SECURED HOUSING FINANCE COMMITMENTS(a)

Period	Original		Seasonally adjusted		Trend	
	Dwelling units	Value	Dwelling units	Value	Dwelling units	Value
no.	\$m	no.	\$m	no.	\$m	
2001-02						
November	4695	525	4331	480	4319	479
December	4423	508	4386	492	4297	480
January	3892	444	4346	487	4269	479
February	4008	455	4201	467	4264	477
March	4246	478	4226	477	4299	477
April	4112	458	4151	461	4368	480
May	4880	525	4508	486	4448	486
June	4681	498	4671	511	4504	494
2002-03						
July	4988	524	4711	502	4500	501
August	4166	476	4367	508	4430	504
September	3825	454	4171	493	4322	504
October	4329	517	4261	517	4222	503
November	4336	529	4038	494	4155	503
December	4322	539	4128	496	4116	504
January	3765	465	4233	517	4099	506

(a) Excludes alterations and additions. Includes refinancing.

Source: *Housing Finance for Owner Occupation, Australia* (cat. no. 5609.0).

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FINANCE COMMITMENTS

Period	Commercial finance commitments			Personal finance commitments			
	Fixed loan facilities	Revolving credit facilities	Total commercial finance commitments	Fixed loan facilities	Revolving credit facilities	Total personal finance commitments	Total lease finance commitments
	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m	\$m
2001-02							
November	551.8	295.1	846.9	180.6	178.5	359.1	25.6
December	611.8	290.5	902.3	165.9	147.2	313.0	16.2
January	338.8	228.3	567.1	164.2	119.9	284.1	10.9
February	422.8	288.2	711.0	176.3	134.7	310.9	13.9
March	545.5	235.5	781.0	176.3	145.9	322.3	14.6
April	476.6	226.0	702.6	169.8	151.7	321.5	13.3
May	457.3	220.1	677.4	193.8	158.7	352.5	16.3
June	595.1	370.9	966.0	188.7	187.9	376.6	17.3
2002-03							
July	593.0	413.3	1 006.3	198.3	180.2	378.5	15.2
August	524.6	484.1	1 008.7	195.7	180.2	375.9	12.3
September	524.0	433.9	957.9	180.2	150.1	330.4	13.4
October	545.4	372.3	917.7	190.4	182.3	372.8	14.2
November	519.2	341.6	860.8	199.1	190.1	389.2	12.8
December	706.9	373.0	1 079.9	210.0	204.9	414.9	14.2
January	616.6	272.2	888.9	210.5	147.3	357.8	15.3

Source: ABS data available on request.

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